

Brooklyn City Council Finance Committee
December 10, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci

ABSENT: None

Approval of Minutes of November 26, 2018. MOTION by Pucci, second by Paulitzky to **approve**.
VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci. **APPROVED**

Ord. #2018-80, Authorizing the Mayor enter into a Shared Services Agreement between Brooklyn and Parma Heights for the position of Animal Control Officer. Chief Mielke gave an update on the Parma Hts. status, that their target date is Jan. 7th to start, they were meeting today about it. MOTION by Van Kirk, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-84, Repeals a previously adopted Ordinance regarding the Tax Increment Equivalent Fund (TIF), and adopts this with changes relating to the old AG site. MOTION by Van Kirk, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-85, Approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Community Reinvestment Area Tax Agreement with Cleveland American, LLC, Holdings Cleveland American, LLC and Medical Mutual of Ohio at the estimated cost of \$23M. MOTION by Van Kirk, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-86, Amended Annual Appropriations. Dir. Raguz pointed out a minor change to the Economic Development Fund, and said Council can amend it before adopting. MOTION by Pucci, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**, as amended. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-87, Annual Appropriations. MOTION by Pucci, second by Van Kirk to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-89, Authorizing the Capital Improvement Plan for 2019. MOTION by Van Kirk, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-90, Authorizing the Updated Capital Improvement Plan for 2018. Councilwoman Pucci noted that \$649,000 additional has been added since the first of the year. MOTION by Pucci, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-91, Amends Sect. F of Ord. 2016-96 relating to fees for Ice Show participant rates. Chairman Van Kirk said this simply raises the rates; Mgr. McGinty elaborated on some of the steps in raises. MOTION by Pucci, second by Paulitzky to recommend Council **adopt**. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Ord. #2018-92, Establishes Brooklyn Acres Mutual Homes (Community Partner) rates for membership and programs at the Recreation Center and Natatorium. Chairman Van Kirk suggested some amendments: Sect. 1, "...all *Cleveland* residents..." and "...at Community Partner rates..." A resident (Ms. Neal) questioned why this is on the table, citing other adjacent Cleveland residents and others who could be part of it also, and that this adds 350 families. Dir. Butler explained there was initially no justification to treat the Acres different than other Cleveland residents; residency is not equal treatment, if Council can justify it, the municipal decision can be upheld, and there's a history between them to justify it, so he thinks it's legal. Ms. Neal felt the reasons (bonfires, various activities) were not valid reasons and even cited some examples as incorrect (use of hall for non-

Acres person). Chairman Van Kirk said we can have additional conversation, adding that it is correct that it was being done previously. There was further brief discussion. **1st Reading**

Ord. #2018-93, Establishes Brooklyn Acres Mutual Homes (Community Partner) rates for membership and programs at the Recreation Center and Natatorium and at the Brooklyn Senior Center. Councilwoman Pucci requested this legislation. She suggested some amendments in specific areas: 4th Whereas, "...and in some cases allow resident groups to use their facilities..." and 5th Whereas, "...have also provided non-perishable food to participants at the Brooklyn Senior Center..." and Sect. 2 insert "...for the member swipe card..." She responded to the resident who commented, they do a lot of other things not listed (ex., over 80 coats given away, include residents in social classes, provide space for Zumba, football and other groups, etc.) There was further brief discussion. **1st Reading**

Dir. Raguz reported he sent out November's financial reports. At the end of the week he will have the final RITA distribution information. Matt Stuczynski is working on our financial platform, and just started the endeavor (it's a transparency platform).

Mgr. McGinty passed out information on a funding grant for the purchase of new playground equipment from GameTime. It would be for \$40,000 (not including installation/removal costs) – the cost to the city would be approximately \$102,000. The old wooden items will be replaced. She is letting Council know this now because the order has to be replaced by January 15th, so she will ask for acceptance of the grant and approval for purchasing at the January 14th Council mtg. Items will be delivered around Feb. 12th, and installation sometime in April. Councilwoman Pucci asked if there would still be one set for older and one set for younger children; Mgr. McGinty said yes, it is mostly the same as now.

There being no further business, **MOTION** by Van Kirk, second by Paulitzky to adjourn. VOTE: Yes: Van Kirk, Paulitzky, Pucci.

Mary-Jo Banish, Clerk of Council

Minutes approved: 01.14.19